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Dear Ms. Zach,

We at Northridge Hospital Medical Center - Sherman Way Campus, formerly, Valley Hospital Medical Center, are pleased to participate in the States RAMO analysis. Although our volume is such that it is statistically impossible for us to be identified in the analysis as a "significantly better than expected" facility, we support the concept of side-by-side comparison. Due to our size, the best possible outcome that we could have achieved in the analysis was "not significantly different than expected, no patients with adverse outcomes". This was achieved in 33% of the areas studied. No areas were identified as being significantly worse than expected.

Northridge Hospital Medical Center is dedicated to continually improving the quality of care that we deliver.

Very truly yours,

Richard D. Lvons, President/CAO

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